

**Summary Minutes
Criminal Justice Council
Sex Offender Management Board
April 25, 2016 1:30 PM**

**2nd Floor House Majority Hearing Room
Legislative Hall**

Committee Members: Cheri Will (Chair); Terry Pepper (DSHS); John Sadowski (DOE); Alan Grinstead (DOC); Hon. Robert Coupe (DOC); Col. Nathaniel McQueen (DSP); Kerry Reinbold (DSP); Peggy Bell (DELJIS); Valerie Marek (SOAR); ; Melanie Lahutsky (Superior Court); Fran Stasko (ABR); Lisa Minutola (ODS); Susan Burns (DYRS); Jay Lynch (DHSS); Dave Henderson (Board of Parole).

CJC Staff: Valarie Tickle (CJC Coordinator); Andrew Spruill (CJC Senior Planner)

Public Attendees: Marvin Mailey (Dover PD); Heidi Holloway (Connections); Ashley Bruncsak (DYRS); Laura Cooney-Koss (Forensic Associates of DE); Sophie Day (AIM); Stacey Huffman (AIM); Tim Collins.

The agenda items were discussed in the following order:

1. Approval of the minutes from meeting held February 29, 2016

The minutes were approved.

2. SOMB Path Forward

Ms. Will suggested to the board to start having SOMB meetings every other month instead of monthly. Mr. Henderson suggested the board meet in May, June, and August 2016 and not in July due to legislative actions. Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve these new meeting dates. Mr. Sadowski seconded the motion.

Ms. Minutola made a motion moving the May 30th meeting to May 23rd since the 30th is a holiday. This motion was approved unanimously.

3. Legislative Subcommittee Update- Lisa Minutola

Ms. Minutola provided an update to the board on House Bill 287. This bill has been heard in the House Admin. Committee to date. There were some concerns raised on public safety. Ms. Minutola stated that changes to the definition of schools will need to be revised. She also stated that the ACLU is having issues because of the way it is currently defined and asked the board if they would like to take a position on the matter. Commissioner Coupe stated that he would recommend waiting to see what happens with the bill before board takes a position.

Commissioner Coupe provided the board with an update to section 4121 Title 11 in the Delaware Code which currently states that all tier 3 offenders require an ankle bracelet. Commissioner Coupe stated that the Department of Correction (DOC) will propose changing the wording so ankle bracelets for tier 3 offenders are based upon risk assessment. Commission

Coupe also stated that if DOC will be responsible for monitoring the bracelets, they will also fund them. Ms. Will inquired on how often tier 3 offenders are reassessed. Mr. Lynch stated that this is something that needs to be looked into and addressed. Ms. Minutola advised that there are very strict rules currently in place that makes the criteria to move to a lower tier extremely difficult.

4. Old Business/Announcements

Peggy Bell from DELJIS stated that the housing restrictions/addresses are now currently up on the website with links.

Mr. Lynch provided a credentialing update stating that it is close to being finalized and he will report an update at the next SOMB meeting.

Ms. Minutola raised concerns about cases where juveniles are charged and the reporting date has them in Superior Court in which the charges are more severe because the alleged crime was not reported and the defendant was not charged until years later. Ms. Marek stated she was aware of this situation and that there is pending legislation in effect to try and fix this issue.

5. Public Comment

Tim Collins reiterated his handout that was provided to the board during the previous SOMB meeting.

7. Adjournment

The SOMB regularly meets the last Monday of each month at 1:30p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday May 23rd, 2016 due to the last Monday in May falling on a holiday. This meeting was adjourned at 2:15p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Andy Spruill
CJC Senior Planner